

REMARKS

Claims 11-21 and 23-27 are all the claims pending in the application. This Amendment amends claims 11, 12, and 14, and cancels claims 1-3, 5-10, 28-31, 36-40, and 42-44. The claims are cancelled without prejudice to the filing of a continuation application.

Although Applicants respectfully disagree with the Examiner's objections and rejections, the claims are amended so that only subject matter indicated as being allowable remains in the application. Claims 11, 12, and 14 are rewritten in independent form. The scope of claims 11, 12, and 14 has been restored to the scope of the claims presented in the Amendment of November 15, 2004, and indicated as being allowable in the Action of January 15, 2005.

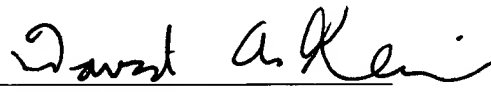
In view of the above, allowance of this application is now believed to be in order, and such action is hereby solicited.

Applicants authorize the Commissioner to charge any fees determined to be due with the exception of the issue fee and to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (202) 220-4209 to discuss any matter concerning this application.

Respectfully submitted,
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